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1. The airfield was between 10 and 20 km west of Gomel (31°0'E/52°25'N), White Russian SSR, no more than 200 meters from the Gomel-Brest Litovsk (23°42'E/52°05'N) railroad line. Hangars were on the northern section of the field, which was elevated slightly. Small construction details were grading the field. Three or four hangars with vaulted roofs were in the northeastern corner of the landing field. Some small wooden houses were between the field and the railroad line. No runway was seen.
2. About 20 twin-engine planes, details of which could not be observed, and 60 to 70 jet fighters were parked in two or three rows, one behind the other, in the western and northern sections of the field. The jet planes had wings with a slight dihedral, normal rudder assembly, wheels under wings and set wide apart, and a bulge, which was definitely seen, under the fuselage.

[REDACTED] This is the first report on an airfield with hangars along the Gomel-Rechnitsa railroad line. The field was possibly constructed after the war.

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